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Hypocrisy all over again

Hypocrisy has been raised to an art form, and double standards have become the only standards applied to public life. Revelations of immoral conduct are no longer a reason to step down. But whilst there is institutionalised racism in the police force, and not only the Metropolitan Police or Greater Manchester Police, there is also an institutionalised hypocrisy when it comes to dealing with Muslims.

The government machine and the media establishment were working on overdrive when trying to help the nurse Lucille escape Saudi justice, insisting that she could never get a fair trial in that Muslim country. She has since been convicted of theft and forging references in a Sheriff's court in Scotland, and the circumstances of the theft are remarkably similar to that of a victim's bank card in Saudi Arabia.

Contrast this with the lukewarm assurance of support given to British Muslims arrested in the Yemen whose confessions to having been involved in terrorist activities were extracted under torture. One might be forgiven to think that they were the price the British government paid to get the Yemen government's assistance in the release of a non-Muslim Britain from his kidnappers.

An equally striking example of such double standards operating on the international scene is the leniency displayed by US Secretary of State Madeleine Albright (alias Maria Jama Korbel, born a Jew, baptised a Catholic, now an Episcopalian, and brought up in

Serbia) when engaged in endless talks with Serb butchers about the status of Kosovo. No such leniency when it comes to US bombing raids against Iraq for alleged non-compliance with UN weapons inspectors.

The American justification of their brutal genocide contains two major lies: Firstly, the UN did not authorise the US bombing of Iraq. Secondly, since the resumption of weapons inspections on November 17, 1998, there were 427 inspections, 128 of them at new sites, with a total of five obstructions. Those obstructions were a 45-minute delay in one case, the rebuff of the suggestion that inspectors should be allowed to interview all of the undergraduate students in the science department of Baghdad University, the demand of justification for an inspection of the headquarters of the Baath party, and the insistence in the case of two inspections on a Friday, that, as per agreement, inspections carried out on the Muslim holy day, when all establishments are closed, were to be conducted with the accompaniment of Iraqi officials. Those five mi-

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nor disagreements are the justification for dropping thousands of pounds of explosives onto the civilians of Iraq, as less than half of the so-called smart bombs hit their allegedly intended target.

American punitive actions against Iraq are nothing to do with keeping the destructive capability of a dangerous country in check. They are about controlling a country which contains 10% of the world's known oil reserves. As Edward Said put it, America is a country which has, along with Israel, "flouted more Security Council resolutions, has more unpaid UN bills, and has refused to sign more international conventions (including those against chemical and biological weapons) than any other".

In fact, the destruction America has unleashed over Iraq, is worse than the worst chemical warfare nightmare they try to warn us about in their propaganda. During the gulf war, one million rounds of

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bullets tipped with uranium were fired. Since then, three times more children are being born with congenital deformities, including children without or with an unduly enlarged head, with stumpy arms like those of a thalidomide victim, with two fingers instead of five, with missing ears, etc. We were not going to be told about these horrific crimes, if it wasn't for the fact that gulf war veterans in Britain and the United States were coming forward with reports of sick and dying children. And forget the fuss about genetically modified soya – due to the use of radioactive war heads in Iraq, produce growing there is altogether abnormal. According to the Department of Defence in the United States at least 40 tonnes of Depleted Uranium were left on the battlefields of southern Iraq.

As if this wasn't enough, a most inhumane regime of sanctions is killing at least six thousand Iraqi children per month. This is why the chief humanitarian co-ordinator of the UN and former assistant secretary-general, Denis Halliday, resigned in August 1998, because he could not, in his own words, any longer "be identified with a United Nations that is maintaining a sanctions programme which kills and maims people through chronic malnutrition, and continues this programme knowingly... that is in fact killing and maiming the children, and the next generation of Iraqis. This is a disaster for the Iraqis and a disaster for the UN."

Of course, we are not meant to know too much, nor try to register our disapproval. New laws are brought in rapidly to stem the free flow of information, particularly through the internet. The pretended fight against racism and anti-semitism is being used to justify the infringement of civil rights. The European Union, for example, is laying the foundation for an agreement which will allow

law enforcement officials to eavesdrop on internet, fax and mobile phone conversations whilst forcing the communications provider to foot the bill. The plan, known as Enfopol 98, was tabled behind closed doors by the European Justice and Home Affairs Council in December. Its alleged purpose is to combat serious crime, such as drug trafficking, child abuse and terrorism. It will enable police to track and record email and mobile phone calls across international boundaries without specific prior authorisation, and internet service providers must give police forces access to their computer systems. Is it too far fetched to assume that the police, suffering from institutionalised racism and prejudice against Islam, will target particular groups of people selectively?

What Western strategists fear more than so-called Islamic terrorism or the alleged capability of mass destruction to be unleashed from a Muslim country is the power of Islam to convince, especially in an age where Christianity has given in to secularism with the Catholic Church redefining the existence of the devil into a vague concept of evil and the inter-church body *Churches Together In England* drawing up a millennium resolution which does not make mention of either God or Jesus. This is why secular countries take to desperate and fanatic measures, as France, which has again denied school girls the liberty to wear headscarves.

Nabil Matar's new book "Islam in Britain" shows that this fear of the convincing message of Islam dates a long way back. In the 17th century Muslim technological superiority at sea led to the capture and sinking of large numbers of British vessels. Between 1609 and 1616, it was reported that 466 English ships were attacked by Ottoman or Barbary galleys, and their crews led away in chains. By May 1626, there were more than 5000 British captives in the city of Algiers, and a

further 1500 in Sali, and frantic arrangements were being made in London to redeem them "lest they follow the example of others and turn Turk", i.e. convert to Islam.

What was more worrying still were reports that some of these raids against British vessels were being led by Englishmen who had converted to Islam, for example, in September 1645, seven ships "from Barbary" landed in Cornwall and were led inland "by some renegade of this country". Large numbers of British captives were converting to Islam, and while some of these conversions were forced, most were clearly not, and British travellers in the East regularly brought back tales of their compatriots who had "crossed over" and were now prospering in Ottoman service.

"Indeed, Brits were constantly popping up in the most unlikely places: one of the most powerful Ottoman eunuchs during the late 16th century, Hassan Aga, was the former Samson Rowley from Great Yarmouth, while in Algeria the 'Moorish King's Executioner' turned out to be a former butcher from Exeter called 'Absalom' (Abd-es-Salaam). When Charles II sent Captain Hamilton to ransom some Englishmen who had been enslaved on the Barbary Coast his mission was unsuccessful as they all refused to return: the men had all converted to Islam... In a great many cases, the Englishmen who converted to Islam were not slaves, but free merchants or servants of the Crown who were attracted by what they saw." Sir Thomas Shirley had warned that "conversation with infidels doeth much corrupte", and in 1606 even the British consul in Egypt, Benjamin Bishop, converted and promptly disappeared from public records.

Today's political and military leaders and their media tycoon propagandists seem to have learned little from history. Brute force cannot, ultimately, keep people from the truth, and "only the truth will set us free."

A Word from the Leader

Devil's Advocate? Vatican acquits Satan!

by Islamic Party Leader David Musa Pidcock

The announcement by the Vatican that the devil should no longer be considered as a palpable, literal entity together with the Commons vote to cut the gay age of consent to 16, confirms the fact that:-

"The continuing genius of Satan lies in his ability to convince half the world that he does not exist and the other half that they are in no way under his influence."

Had the Vatican – and the rest of Trinitarian Christianity – not abandoned the authentic teachings of Jesus in 325 AD, in favour of Paul's false doctrine, they would not have become the spiritually deviant, flat-earth society we see today. As these authentic words of Jesus, peace be upon him, confirm:- "Verily I say unto you, Satan ever seeks to annul the Laws of God; and, therefore, he with his followers, hypocrites and evil doers – the former with false doctrine, the latter with lewd living – today have contaminated almost all things, so that scarcely is the truth found. Woe to the hypocrites; for the praises of this world will turn into the insults of hell." (The Gospel of Barnabas)

Which leaves Islam as the last bulwark against the Vatican's

Anti-Christ-like machinations and Westminster's system of false beliefs. Good & Evil reside in all of us. Satan, in his spiritual form resides in the blood-streams of all men, women and children. Therefore, as we become what we eat, this evil propensity can only be successfully controlled through prayers, fasting and abstinence from drugs and those other harmful and evil spirits – alcohol and pig meat. Alcohol, whilst an Arabic word which is originally derived from al-kuhul (antimony, or the essence of something), also brings up associations of al-Ghoul (an evil snatcher): which means that it snatches the minds of those who consume it, and they become Ghoul-like.

Ghoul, a word imported into the English language from Arabic, as defined by my spell-checker and dictionary means: Evil Spirit, Fiendish, Demonic, Devilish, Monster, Evil. It is impossible to deny that anyone who consumes alcohol in excess does not become the devil incarnate. Furthermore, as almost 76% of all crime is alcohol related (according to official figures) it is clear that we ignore al-Ghoul at our peril. Confirming, yet again, that Muhammad, the final messenger of Islam, was absolutely right when he taught us to: "Avoid alcohol and pork – for one leads to violence and the other to lewd and shameful acts". But, alas, "man is in most things contentious."

Dajjal at work: a list of prohibited items into Iraq

Here are some of the products which the Security Council of the United Nations considers that the Iraqi civilian population are not entitled to. The list includes mainly consumer products which are now available to the world's population without any restriction. The sanctions have been in place for over 7 years with no intention of lifting them. The list shows that they are hardly intended to protect the "international community" from a belligerent Iraq, but are a fulfilment of the prophesy that whoever does not follow the Dajjal shall not even be allowed to eat.

Accumulators, Adhesive paper, Aluminium foil, AM-FM receivers, Ambulances, Amplifiers, Answering machines, Armored cable, Ashtrays, Auto polish, Axes, Bags, Baking soda, Balls (for children, for sport), Baskets, Bath brushes, Batteries, Battery chargers, Beads, Bearings, Bed lamps, Belts, Benches, Bicycles, Books (all categories included), Bottles, Bowls, Boxes, Brass, Broilers, Busses, Calculators,

Cameras, Candles, Candlesticks, Canvas, Carpets, Cars, Carts, Carving knives, Cellophane, Chairs, Chalk, Chess boards, Chiffon, Children's wear, Chisels, Clocks, Cloth, Clutches, Coats, Coaxial cable, Cogs, Coils, Colors for painting, Combs, Compressors (for cooling equipment), Computers and computer supplies, Copper, Cupboards, Cups, Desk lamps, Desks, Detergents, Dictaphones, Dishware,

Dishwashers, Dolls, Doorknobs, Doormats, Drawing knives, Dresses, Drills, Dryers, Dustcloths, Dyes, Dynamos, Easels, Electric cookers, Electric cords, Envelopes, Eyeglasses, Fabrics, Fans, Fax, machines, Fibers, Files, Filing cabinets, Filing cards, Films, Filters, Flashlights, Flowerpots, Forks, Fountain pens, Furniture polish, Fuses, Gas burners, Gauges, Generators, Gir-

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dles, Glass, Glue, Gowns, Grills, Grindstone, Hairpins, Hammers, Handkerchiefs, Hats, Headlights, Headphones, Hearing aids, Hedge trimmers, Helmets, Hoes, Hooks, Hookup wires, Hoses, Hydraulic jacks, Ink, Ink cartridges, Insulator strips, Interruptors, Jackets, Jacks, Joints, Jumpers, Kettles, Knives, Lamp shades, Lathes, Lawn mowers, Leather, Levers, Light bulbs, Light meters, Lime, Magazines (including scientific and medical journals), Magnesium, Magnets, Masonite, Mastic, Matches, Measurings equipment, Mica, Microfiche, Microphones, Microscopes, Mirrors, Mops, Motorbikes, Motors, Mufflers, Mugs, Music cassettes, Music CDs, Musical instruments, Nail brushes, Nail files, Napkins, Notebooks, Oil cans, Oil gauges, Oil lamps, Oscillators, Packaging materials, Pails, Painters' brushes, Paints, Pans, Paper clips, Paper for printing, Paper for wrapping, Paper for writing, Pens, Percolators, Pesticides, Photocopiers, Photometers, Pincers, Pincettes, Pins, Plastics, Plates, Plexiglas, Pliers, Plugs, Plywood, Porcelain, Pots, Pot-ties, Press drills, Pressure cookers, Printing equipment, Pulleys, Putty, Radiators for cars, Razor blades, Razors, Reels, Relays, Riveters, Roasters, Rubber,

Rugs, Rulers, Sandals, Sandpaper, Saucers, Saws, Scales, Scoreboards, Screws, Seals, Seats, Shampoo, Sheers, Shelves, Shirts, Shock absorbers, Shoe polish, Shoes, Shoppint carts, Shovels, Silicon, Silver polish, Skirts, Soap, Soap pads, Sockets, Socks, Solder, Soldering irons, Spark plugs, Spatulas, Sponges, Spoons, Stamps, Staplers, Starters, Stoves, Straps, Suits, Sun hats, Swimming suits, Switches, Tables, Tacks, Tags, Telephone cables, Telephones, Tents, Thermometers, Threads, Timber, Timers, Tin, Tire pumps, Tissue paper, Toasters, Toilet paper, Tongs, Toothbrushes, Toothpicks, Towels, Toys, Tractors, Transformers, Trash cans, Tripods, Troughs, Trousers, Trowels, Trucks, Trunks, TV sets, Typewriters, Vacuum cleaners, Valves, Vans, Vaseline, Vases, Venetian blinds, Ventilators, Videotapes, Voltage regulators, Waffle irons, Wagons, Wall-lets, Wallpaper, Washing machines, Wastepaper baskets, Watches, Water pumps, Wax, Welders, Wheelbarrows, Wheels, Window shades, Wood, Wool, Wrenches, Zoom lenses.

The UN Sanctions Committee has not issued any comprehensive list of prohibited products, as such a list would include millions of articles.

Instead the Sanctions Committee evaluates applications for

exporting goods to Iraq on the base of Security Council Resolutions which allow foodstuffs, medicines and products for essential civilian needs. Anything not deemed 'essential' by the members of the Sanctions Committee is denied to the Iraqi population.

The Committee has the sole discretion in determining what is essential for every Iraqi. Decisions by the Committee are made behind closed doors. Any one Committee member may veto a permission. Applications for the export of items to Iraq must be made by the potential exporter to the authorities of individual UN member states who then forward the application to the UN Sanctions Committee in New York. The Committee will then assess the qualification of the application, that is whether it is food, medicine or an 'essential civilian need', determine that the Iraqi government has also endorsed the transaction, check prices and delivery conditions, and if everything is OK, forward its approval to the authorities of the country where the application came from. The authorities then inform the applicant. Only then is it possible to ship the items. Before being sent, public officials must check that the items concur in quality and quantity to the document approved by the Sanctions Committee. Any discrepancy results in delaying the shipment.

Capitol Hill: Mount Zion of Diaspora Jews

The following list of Jews in the present Clinton administration and Jewish US Ambassadors gives an insight to the cause of America's pro-Zionist and anti-Muslim policies.

Madeleine Albright, Secretary of State; Robert Rubin, Secretary of Treasury; William Cohen, Secretary of Defense; Dan Glickman, Secretary of Agriculture; George Tenet, CIA Chief; Samuel Berger, Head National Security Council; Evelyn Lieberman, Deputy Chief of Staff; Stuart Eizenstat, Under Secretary of

State; Charlene Barshefsky, U.S. Trade Representative; Susan Thomases, Aide to First Lady; Joel Klein, Assistant Attorney General; Gene Sperling, National Economic Council; Ira Magaziner, National Health Care; Peter Tarnoff, Deputy Secretary of State; Alice Rivlin, Economic Advisory; Janet Yellen, Chair-

woman, National Economic Council; Rahm Emanuel, Policy Advisor; Doug Sosnik, Counsel to President; Jim Steinberg, Deputy to National Security Chief; Jay Footlik, Special Liaison to the Jewish Community (no other group has a special liaison); Robert Nash, Personal Chief; Jane

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Sherburne, President's Lawyer; Mark Penn, Asia Expert to NEC; Sandy Kristoff, Health Care Chief; Robert Boorstin, Communications Aide; Keith Boykin, Communications Aide; Jeff Eller, Special Assistant to Clinton; Tom Epstein, Health Care Adviser; Judith Feder, National Security Council; Richard Feinberg, Assistant Secretary Veterans; Hershel Gober, Food and Drug Administration; Steve Kessler, White House Counsel; Ron Klein, Assistant Secretary Education; Madeleine Kunin, Communications Aide; David Kusnet, Dept. AIDS Program; Margaret Hamburg, Dir. Press Conferences; Many Grunwald, Liaison to Jewish Leaders; Karen Adler, Dir. State Dept. Policy; Samuel Lewis, National Security Council; Stanley Ross, National Security Council; Dan Schifter, Director Peace Corps.; Eli Segal, Deputy Chief of Staff.

US Jewish Ambassadors:

Germany:

Ambassador John C. Kornblum

France:

Ambassador Felix Rohatyn

Poland:

Ambassador Daniel Fried

Denmark:

Ambassador Edward E. Elson

Hungary:

Ambassador Donald M. Blinken

Romania:

Ambassador Alfred H. Moses

Belgium:

Ambassador Alan J. Blinken

(He is related to the Blinken ambassador to Hungary)

Belarus:

Ambassador Kenneth S.

Yalowitz

South Africa:

Ambassador James A. Joseph

India:

Ambassador Frank G. Wisner

Turkey:

Ambassador Marc Grossman

New Zealand:

Ambassador Josiah H. Beeman

Egypt:

Ambassador Daniel C. Kurtzer

Sweden:

Ambassador Thomas L. Siebert

Morocco:

Ambassador Marc C. Ginsberg

Singapore:

Ambassador Timothy A. Chorbha

Zambia:

Ambassador Arlene Render

Brazil:

Ambassador Melvyn Levitsky

Bolivia:

Ambassador Curt W. Kamman

Mexico:

Ambassador Jeffrey Davidow

Canada:

Ambassador Gordon Giffin

Cuba:

US Interest Head, Michael G.

Kozak

Norway:

Ambassador David B. Hermelin

Switzerland:

Ambassador Madeleine M.

Kunin

The percentage of Jews amongst the population of the USA is a mere 2% (5.9 mill.). The percentage of American Muslims is just slightly higher (6 mill.), but they are noticeably absent from the decision making process.

Of course, the infamous Monica, who helped to make sure that a beleaguered Clinton did as told, should also not be missing from this list. Prior to doing her job in the White House she spent 3 months as a guest of the Israeli government and, as reported by an Israeli newspaper, she and her dad had a meeting with Israeli prime minister Netanyahu. Strange coincidence...

Extradition: Jack Straw Or General Pinochet?

by Alexander Baron

The old man sat impassionately in the dock, his dull eyes staring into space, his moustache drooping and lifeless. The examining magistrate stared at the papers in front of him and asked stupidly: "What case is this, again?"

A titter went up from the public gallery as supporters and opponents of the old man separated by the police looked for ways to relieve the tension.

The magistrate looked up angrily and frowned; "If there is the slightest disturbance I will order the court cleared," he said.

The clerk rose to his feet. "This is the extradition case, sir. General Pinochet..." The magistrate cut him off: "Yes, yes, I know who General Pinochet is. Give me a moment, please." From far away the old man heard a voice

call "Are you General Augusto Pinochet?" and from further away another voice answered: "I am."

"Take the book in your right hand and read aloud the words on the card."

The old man tried to move but his legs felt as though they were made of lead. Again, from far away he heard the voice of General Augusto Pinochet.

Then he heard another voice, a lawyer's voice; a list of alleged crimes was being read out: suppression of civil liberties, arbi-

trary confiscation of private property, conspiracy to murder, murder, genocide...

The old man shook his head in disgust as his accuser railed on and on. Could they really be accusing him of all this? After what seemed hours but was in fact only a few minutes, the magistrate turned to the old man and stared at him impassionately: "I believe you would like to read a prepared statement."

The old man appeared confused until his own counsel

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nudged him and thrust a piece of paper into his hand. He took it and nodded: "Yes, Your Honour." He continued: "With respect to Your Honour and this court, I do not recognise the jurisdiction of this court to try me against these lies. I have been called a dictator; that is not true; my government had a mandate from the people and ruled with equanimity and fairness. I have been accused of suppression of civil liberties; the only civil liberties I suppressed were those of organised criminal gangs and of the riff-raff who prey on society. I have been accused of murder, even of genocide. These are base lies manufactured by foreign governments in order to destabilise our democracy. I served my country well and in the name of democracy. I was only doing my job."

The magistrate blinked as the old man finished then asked in a bored tone, "Is that all?" "Yes, Your Honour," said the old man.

The magistrate consulted with the clerk of the court then announced that he would adjourn to consider his decision. The court was cleared and the old man was wheeled out to the custody suite where he was met by his doctor. Time dragged on and an usher was sent to inform the old man that the magistrate would continue to deliberate over lunch. "He said he won't be resuming before three."

"Three pm?" asked the old man. "Yes," said the usher, "are you going out for lunch?" The old man's bodyguard stepped forward and whispered something in his ear, then he turned and left the custody suite. It was a full five minutes before he returned, and when he did he had with him a senior police officer and a tall thin man in a black suit. It was the policeman who spoke, leaning over the old man's wheelchair he muttered in a somewhat embarrassed tone, "Sir, the Police Commis-

sioner has followed these proceedings from the outset and he would be honoured if you would join his party in the staff restaurant."

The old man's eyes narrowed and the policeman hurried on, "as a gesture of respect from one senior law officer to another. The Police Commissioner regrets very much your present position, but like you he is a servant of the people, and must follow his orders, whatever they are."

Suddenly, a tear sprang to the old man's eye; all the hate and vitriol that had been directed towards him by this nation's press, all the slanders and libels, all the hypocrisy, all the pain, all melted away. In the final analysis, the people who really mattered still had respect for the law, and respect for him.

"I would be most honoured," said the old man. "I will tell the Commissioner sir, and we'll get you up there in a few minutes. I must ask you to er, be discreet..." "Of course," the old man interrupted, and, placing his hand on his heart he continued, "I am a great admirer of your Commissioner; he is a good man who has been unfairly vilified by your press."

The party went off for lunch and the old man was treated as an honoured guest. Not only the Police Commissioner but several other senior police officers were present, and several senior military men, including an aged veteran who had participated, albeit in a minor fashion, in the British storming of the Falklands. Security was tight; the press were totally excluded; it was obvious to the old man that the Commissioner had gone to a lot of trouble and that he was taking a grave risk. If word of this got out there would be calls for his resignation; not for the first time the old man was moved to tears at the deference and respect showed to him by the only people who understood, and to him the only people who mattered.

They dined long and late; it was nearly 4pm when the court was reconvened, and when it was the old man was brought back to reality with a bump. The magistrate began his summing up without wasting time:

"This is an extradition case, one which on account of extensive media coverage needs no lengthy introductions here. I am asked to rule if there is a prima facie case on a number of counts, in particular conspiracy to murder, murder, genocide, crimes against humanity, suppression of civil liberties, arbitrary confiscation of private property, and numerous violations of the rule of law.

"I find that there is a case to answer on all counts.

"The Defendant, Jack Straw, was on holiday with his family touring Chile when he was arrested on an extradition warrant issued at the request of the Government of Iraq. The warrant was executed by General Augusto Pinochet II on June 15th, and Mr Straw has been under close arrest ever since, although due to his great age and to his failing health, he has been granted bail on condition only that he resides at the Saddam Hussein Hospital in Valparaiso; he has been under heavy armed guard for his own protection. Since the issue of the first warrant, sixteen former British nationals have applied under the Nuremberg Treaty of 2001 to have Mr Straw extradited to stand trial at the International Court.

"As I said, I find there is a case to answer. The basis of my finding so is as follows: "The Defendant was Home Secretary in the Labour Government of Tony Blair which ruled Britain from May 1997 until it was ousted in a military coup in 2007. Mr Straw served as Home Secretary for nearly ten years, during which time by virtue of this office he was responsible for the administration of justice domestically. He was also, as a member of the Executive, vicariously responsible for

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crimes committed at the instigation of Tony Blair outside the United Kingdom.

"It has been submitted by the Defence that because the government of Tony Blair was elected in a free and fair election in May 1997, and subsequently re-elected, that it was a democratic government, that it had a mandate from the people, and that therefore Mr Straw should not be indicted for any crimes against British nationals. I cannot accept this submission; the government of Adolf Hitler was also elected democratically, and, I might add, by a far larger majority than the government of Tony Blair. Just because a government is elected by a majority of the people once every five years does not give that government a mandate to destroy the rights of any of its citizens or to murder foreign nationals.

"I also therefore reject the claims by the defence of vicarious non-liability over the matter of Iraq. I will deal with the international aspect first.

"In December 1998 the United States government under the leadership of the admitted adulterer and later impeached perjurer William Jefferson Clinton launched a series of raids against the sovereign nation of Iraq. In this action, codenamed Operation Desert Fox, the Cabinet of Tony Blair, which included the Defendant, collaborated fully and extensively. British servicemen took part in the raids and support operations. At the time of this action many politicians, journalists and ordinary people spoke out against the role of the United Kingdom. The Defendant was not among them, and it can only be concluded that by his failing to speak out and by his continued participation in the government of Tony Blair as Home Secretary that he fully condoned the air raids and the massive loss of civilian life that resulted.

"The Defendant has also acted similarly with regard to the earlier sanctions imposed against Iraq, sanctions which were maintained long after Operation Desert Fox and which led to incalculable loss of life and human misery and suffering.

"The Defendant's admittedly passive participation in Operation Desert Fox and his failing to condone the sanctions against Iraq constitute prima facie evidence of conspiracy to murder, murder, genocide and crimes against humanity. Indeed, it is ironic that Mr Straw could be indicted under his own Suppression Of Terrorism Act, 2000, which provided for this eventuality, and I am quoting here from Paragraph 17) of the bill:

"A person shall be guilty of an offence of supporting terrorism if he belongs to or supports financially, in deed, in action, in writing or in thought, the actions of terrorists in any country, including murder, bombing, suppression of religion, inciting the overthrow of the government whether elected or not, incitement to racial hatred, incitement to religious hatred, or any other act which the Secretary of State for the Home shall at any time deem or consider to be an act of supporting terrorism."

"Turning to United Kingdom domestic matters, Mr Straw is accused of suppression of civil liberties, arbitrary confiscation of private property, numerous violations of the rule of law and again of crimes against humanity.

"Again, on all these counts I find there is a case to answer, and this time I find so on the grounds that Mr Straw was an active agent rather than a passive one, indeed, in many instances he was the prime mover.

"I will deal first with suppression of civil liberties. As Home Secretary, Mr Straw strengthened the law against incitement to racial hatred, in particular he outlawed Holocaust Revisionism under pressure from Zionist lobby-

ing. During his tenure, forty-one Holocaust Revisionists, including six Islamic, two black and two Jewish Revisionists were gaoled for five years or more. Over a hundred people were sentenced to gaol or fined or both for expressing politically incorrect views, including twenty-nine, among them a number of Islamic Fundamentalists, who had expressed views that would be likely to incite hatred against persons by means of their sexual orientation. Fourteen of these people were prosecuted under the Protection Of Homosexuals Act, 2001.

"During his term of office too, several thousands of people were deprived of their civil liberties by being gaoled for using or dealing in drugs, most notably cannabis, heroin and cocaine.

"During Mr Straw's tenure as Home Secretary, many tens of thousands of people were deprived of their lawful property in arbitrary fashion under the Confiscation Of The Proceeds Of Crime Act, 2001. This law has also been deemed by the International Court to violate the rule of law and to constitute a crime against humanity. People who had been accused of dealing in drugs, and of other criminal offences involving possible financial gain, were deprived of their property even if they were not prosecuted, and in many cases after they had been acquitted by the criminal courts.

"Such acquittals of accused persons ceased in 2002 when the right to trial by jury for all offences was abolished along with all legal aid for criminal offences on the grounds of the reduction of costs. Indeed, from June 2002 onwards, only two per cent of persons tried for all criminal offences were ever acquitted by the new professional magistrates' courts, which were masterminded by the Defendant. "I therefore find there is a prima facie case to answer on all counts.

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"I will make one further comment. Mr Straw stated in his address to this court 'I served my country well and in the name of democracy. I was only doing my job.' This has been called the Nuremberg Defence and was specifically outlawed under the Nuremberg Treaty of 2001. At the Nuremberg Trials, the Nazi leaders and many high and low ranking Nazis pleaded that they were only doing their jobs, that they were under orders, or even that they would face serious sanctions themselves if they refused to obey even an illegal order.

"The Nazis were not excused their crimes on this feeble pretext, and many were executed or sentenced to terms of many years of

imprisonment. But, ironically, and sadly for mankind, what has become known as the Nuremberg Defence has been tolerated by civilised courts the world over in all other instances of alleged war crimes. Where the alleged perpetrators of crimes have been anyone but Nazis, including soldiers, police officers, state officials and even government ministers, the world has looked the other way.

"That is until the Nuremberg Treaty of 2001, which was passed specifically to prevent alleged war criminals and tyrants from going Scot-free in the event of their ever being apprehended.

"It is the opinion of this court that strong prima facie evidence has been adduced on all counts that Jack Straw is one of the most notorious war criminals and suppressers of civil liberties and

of the rights of man, to have been apprehended since the end of the Nazi era, and I would be failing in my duty if I did not order his extradition. I thereby do so order it. The formalities will be carried out in the morning, in the meantime bail is revoked, and the Defendant is remanded in custody."

The old man's face fell and he was obviously in deep shock. A loud cheer went up from the old man's opponents, and the few paid supporters slunk away from the press box to phone, fax and E-mail in their reports to the British state-controlled press.

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